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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Abstract with the following replacement Abstract:

A method, apparatus, system, and article of manufacture, the method including, in some embodiments, configuring a first device as an associated device in a system, wherein the first device is not registered with the system, receiving information regarding a second device from a device management component, the second device being registered with the system, maintaining information regarding the first device and the second device, and providing device context information for the first device to the application.

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Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 11 - 17 with the following amended paragraph:

In some embodiments an identity may be or include an individual person or a group of people. An identity context for the identity could be a state of "in meeting." "on vacation," "in the office," "out of the office," "roaming," "offline," "online," "unknown," "on business trip," "in transit," "mobile," etc. Thus, the identify context describes the availability of the identity. An identity context then may allow an identity to have an overall state that describes work or non-work state that that the identity is in.